(b) to (d) All Doordarshan transmitters in the State except the VLPT at Jashpumagar carry the said news bulletin. The latter is technically equipped to relay only the DD-I channel.

Exploitation in film industry

4106. SHRI EM. SUDARSANA NATCHIAPPAN: Will the Minister of INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is fact that a number of young people are being sexually exploited by the film industry people in the name of giving them opportunities as revealed in a recent scoop by a TV channel;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) what steps are being taken by Government to check this unhealthy trend, which threatens to destroy the basic fabric of the society?

THE MINISTER OF INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING (SHRI S. JAIPAL REDDY): (a) and (b)ATV channel had reported an instance of an attempt at such exploitation. However, according to information received from Film Federation of India (FFI), the apex body representing the film industry, no such case's have come to their knowledge.

(c) Film industry in India is in the private sector and are subject to all the laws of the land that prohibit such actions.

Cancellation of uplinking licenses of private news channels

† 4107. SHRI KRIPAL PARMAR:
SHRI SURENDRA LATH:

Will the Minister of INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that there is a provision of cancelling uplinking licences of those private news channels throughout the country which telecast objectionable programmes or which contravene rules;

(b) if so, whether it is a fact that no stringent action has been taken so far against the open telecast of sex scandals recently; and

† Original notice of the question was received in Hindi.